

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



August-September 2009

Current Events

Get ready, set and go! Can you believe this will be your last year at Bet Breira? We are starting our year with new books, old friends, and a well-rested teacher. We will begin with our first novel, *The Sign of the Beaver*. This story is a great example of what the early American pioneers had to endure during the early years of America. This novel will correlate with the Social Studies unit of Life in the 13 English Colonies. In Math we will start with reviewing 4th grade material and complete diagnostic testing to get us ready for 5th grade math. For Science, we will begin with Life Science. We will learn how to classify living things, the importance of plant structure and functions, and plant and animal diversity. As for homework, it should take no more than one hour of concentrated work time. In preparation for middle school, the workload will gradually be increased as the school year goes on. If for any reason homework assignments are taking up more than one hour, or if your child has difficulty with an assignment, please let me know. Enjoy our beautiful poems!

BET BREIRA SCHOOL 5TH GRADE

Writers of the Month

Jett Caplin
A Summer Day

The 10-Mile Bike Ride
Riding the trial was as easy as pie.
The sights are eagles soaring in the sky.
The wind was running through my hair.

The River
It was as cold as an iceberg.
The rocks are a smooth silk coat.
The river will carry you away in its arms.

The Waterfalls
The water was as blue as the sky.
The streams were clear tubes of light.
The waterfall dropped the water down into the river.

A Summer Day
By: Jaret Dan

Playing with Eric and Aaron
Playing games with these two was like living in Disney for a month.
Their ideas of fun were A+ work.
The Transformers followed our orders, turning and transforming.

YouTube
The YouTube videos were as funny as a clown.
Sometimes the videos were a whole circus.
But some videos were telling us secrets.

Important Dates:

- 7 no school Labor Day
- 18 All School Shabbat
- 19 Rosh Hashanan 3:00 pm service
- 27 Erev Yom Kippur
- 28 Yom Kippur no school

October 1st Fieldtrip to Marjory Stoneman
Douglas Nature Center